

byterian field, and the meeting together of so many workers from all over the Presbytery, the frank exchange of ideas, was productive of great good.

The people of Staunton entertained most hospitably the delegates who came from out of town, the weather was delightful, and altogether the whole enterprise was a tremendous success.

The music was a special feature, and was intended of itself to indicate the kind of music that a Sunday School ought to have. It was led by an orchestra, two pianos and the organ, and added very greatly to the interest, pleasure and profit of the occasion.

Luncheons were provided for everybody at the church parlors adjoining the church, and this feature added greatly to the social enjoyment of the occasion.

The Institute was unusual in that a much larger number of people, both ministers and laymen, took part in the discussions. There was nothing formal about the proceedings, but they were at the same time carried on with proper dignity and reverence.

MOUNTAIN MISSIONS.

Fanny Lee Curdts.

I rejoice to know that there are so many kind, big-hearted people left in this world. The many answers that I received to my "Christmas Plea For the Mountain Children" would certainly indicate that such was the case. I have already mailed many letters of thanks to those who sent money or individual gifts, and I wish that I could thank personally every one of you who helped to pack the boxes and barrels of things for the mountain children and grown-ups, too, at Christmas. Please remember as you read this that I mean you.

I also received letters from far and near asking about this mountain work, and, as always, I took great pleasure in answering them. I trust that we shall keep you all as friends of this worthy cause, and that you will not forget your mountain friends in the new year that is dawning.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Fifty-fifth General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States will meet in the First Presbyterian church, Newport News, Va., Thursday, May 20th, 11 A. M., and be opened with a sermon by some commissioner selected by Dr. William J. Martin, the moderator of the last Assembly, to be followed immediately by the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

The clerks will be in the church Wednesday evening and Thursday morning until 11 o'clock, for the purpose of enrolling the commissioners, who are requested to report with their commissions as promptly as practicable after their arrival.

The railroad authorities have kindly granted special rates for all attending, particular information concerning which will be published later, when the commissioners shall have been elected by the Presbyteries.

Thomas B. Law, Stated Clerk.
J. D. Leslie, Permanent Clerk.

SPRING PRESBYTERIES.

Place and Time of Meeting.

Synod of Alabama.
Central Alabama—Montgomery, April 15th.
East Alabama—Greenville, April 13th, 8 P. M.
Mobile—Broad Street church, Mobile, April 13th, 7:30.
North Alabama—Gadsden, April 13th, 7:30.
Tuscaloosa—Uniontown, April 13th, 7:30.

Synod of Arkansas.
Arkansas—Little Rock, April 20th, 7:30.
Ouachita—Arkadelphia, April 13th.
Pine Bluff—Dermott, April 27th, 7:30.
Washburn—First church, Fort Smith April 27, 7:30.

Synod of Florida.
Florida—Marianna, April 13th, 7:30.
St. John's—De Land, April 20th.
Suwanee—Jasper, April 13th, 7:30.

Synod of Georgia.
Athens—Danielsville, April 13th, 8
Atlanta—Senola, April 13th, 7:30.
Augusta—Monticello, April 13th, 7:30.
Cherokee—First church, Rome, April 6th, 7:30.
Savannah—Hall Memorial, Savannah, April 13th, 7:30.
Macon.

Synod of Kentucky.
Ebeneser—Central church, Maysville, April 27th, 7:30.
Louisville—Bardstown, April 13th, 7:30.
Muhlenburg—First church, Bowling Green, April 6th 7:30.
Paducah—Second church, Henderson, April 27th, 8 P. M.
Transylvania—Hustonville, April 6th, 7:30.
West Lexington—Highland College, Guerrant, April 13th, 7:30.

Synod of Louisiana.
Louisiana—Norwood, April 27th, 7:30.
New Orleans—Slidell, April 20th, 7:30.
Red River—Minden, April 20th, 7:30.

Synod of Mississippi.
Central Mississippi—Vicksburg, April 27th, 7:30.
East Mississippi—Lauderdale, April 13th, 7:30.
Ethel.
Meridian—Bay Springs, April 13th, 7:30.
Mississippi—Wesson, April 13th, 7:30.
North Mississippi—Tutwiler, April 27th, 7:30.

Synod of Missouri.
Lafayette—Tuscumbia, April 13th, 8.
Missouri—Benton City, April 27th.
Palmyra.
Potosi—Kennett, April 13th, 7:30.
St. Louis—St. Charles, First, April 13th, 8 P. M.
Upper Missouri.

Synod of North Carolina.
Albemarle—Oxford, April 13th, 8.
Asheville—Murphy, April 27th, 8.
Concord—Cleveland, April 13th, 7:30.
Fayetteville—Mt. Pisgah church, April 20th, 7:30.
King's Mountain—Gastonia, April 13th, 8 P. M.
Mecklenburg—April 13th, 11 A. M.
Orange—High Point, April 13th.
Wilmington—Chadburn, April 6th, 8.

Synod of Oklahoma.
Durant—Hugo, April 21st, 8 P. M.
Indian—Good Spring church, April 13th, 7:30.
Mangum—Shawnee, April 13th, 8.
Synod of South Carolina.
Bethel—Yorkville, April 13th, 8 P. M.
Charleston—Charleston, First, April 13th, 8 P. M.
Congaree—Camden, April 14th, 8.
Enoree—Jonesville, April 6th, 4 P. M.
Harmony—Bishopville, April 6th, 8.
Pee Dee—Florence, April 13th, 8:30.
Piedmont—Starr, Varennes church, April 27th, 7:30.
South Carolina—Clinton, First, April 13th, 8 P. M.

Synod of Tennessee.
Columbia—Mt. Pleasant, April 13th, 7:30.
Holston—First church, Johnson, April 27th, 7:30.
Knoxville—Lebanon, April 13th, 7:30.
Memphis—Somerville, April 13th, 8.
Nashville—Mt. Vernon, April 20th, 7:30.

Synod of Texas.
Brazos—Palacios, First, April 20th, 8.
Brownwood—Comanche, April 15th, 8.
Central Texas—Mart church, April 20th, 8 P. M.
Dallas—Brandon, April 14th, 3:30.
Eastern Texas—Beaumont, April 20th, 8 P. M.
El Paso—Colorado, April 13th, 8.
Fort Worth—Haskell, April 21st, 8.
Paris—Commerce, April 27th, 7:30.
Texas-Mexican—Austin, Mexican church, April 14th, 7:30.
Western Texas—Corpus Christi, April 13th, 8 P. M.

Synod of Virginia.
Abingdon—Marion, April 20th, 8.
East Hanover—Mizpah church, Richmond, April 26th, 8 P. M.
Greenbrier—Beckley, W. Va., April 20th, 8 P. M.
Kanawha—Williamson, April 20th, 8.
Lexington—Lexington, April 20th, 8.
Montgomery—Bluefield, April 20th, 8.
Norfolk—Gloucester, April 20th, 8.
Potomac—Central church, Washington, April 20th, 8 P. M.
Roanoke—Victoria, April 27th, 8.
Tygart's Valley—Beverly, April 13th.
West Hanover—College church, April 20th, 8 P. M.
Winchester—Berryville, April 13th, 8.

Marriages

Bartlett-Blum: At the groom's apartments, 717½ Second street, Macon, Ga., March 14, 1915, by Rev. Eli A. Thomas, pastor of the East Side Presbyterian church, Mrs. Anna Grulin Bartlett and Mr. David C. Blum.

Bowling-George: At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan T. George, in Monroe, La., Monday afternoon, March 15, 1915, by Rev. Dr. C. S. Newman, Dr. Oscar Dowling, president of the State Board of Health of Louisiana, and Mrs. Lula Tendal George.

Buckley-Dalrymple: In an automobile ride on March 15, 1915, in Macon, Ga., by Rev. Eli A. Thomas, Miss Mary A. Buckley, of Augusta, Ga., and Mr. M. M. Dalrymple, of Macon.

Otey-Henderson: At the home of the bride's parents, Talladega, Ala., March 10, 1915, by Dr. F. B. Webb, Mr. W. Madison Otey and Miss Catherine Alice Henderson.

Parks-Bonner: At the home of the officiating minister, Rev. Eli A. Thomas on February 15th, Miss Eva Parks and Mr. Joseph E. Bonner.

Wood-Leslie: At the home of the bride's mother, Macon, Ga., on March 14, 1915, by Rev. Eli A. Thomas, Miss Eva Leslie and Mr. James Wood.

Deaths

Chapman: At her home in Commerce, Texas, March 7, 1915, Mrs. Maggie L. Chapman, at the age of sixty-two years. She gave her life to Christ and united with the Presbyterian church in girlhood and was a consistent member all her life.

MRS. JANE WEDDELL.

On Sabbath morning, February 7th, in Petersburg, this dear saint of the Lord fell asleep, ninety years of age. She was born in Perth, Scotland, and came to this country with her husband in 1857. She united with Tabbs-Street church, and was honored and beloved by a large circle of friends.

With a striking personality, a remarkable memory and a well stored mind, she was a delightful companion. She had heard from an older brother the account of the disruption, of which he was an eye-witness. More than once she had listened to Guthrie, that prince of preachers.

As she described these experiences in her rich Scotch brogue, history became real, and the men who made history lived again. But during her latter years, when sorrows multiplied, and health gave way, her thoughts and heart centered around the "coming of Jesus." "Don't you think the Master will come soon?" was the question re-

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peated over and over again to her pastor. Daily she looked out through the eastern window, hoping to see him, waiting to welcome him.

It seemed so appropriate that his call should come on the Sabbath, while somewhere, perhaps, God's people in the sanctuary were singing:

"When death these mortal eyes shall seal,

And still this throbbing heart,
The rending veil shall Thee reveal,
All glorious as Thou art."

C. R. S.

MRS. HERBERT BARKSDALE.

After a number of months of suffering, borne with a patience and fortitude, such as only a true child of God could, on March the 16th, Mrs. Bessie Moseley Barksdale passed from earth to her heavenly home. Her whole life of devotion to home, to loved ones, to Jesus, God's dear Son, her precious Saviour, warrants this firm conviction.

The last few years of her life have been very trying ones. Her release from suffering, her rest in the fulness of her Father's home must be very sweet to this weary soul. She died at the home of Dr. D. T. Merritt at Nathalie, Va., and was buried in the cemetery at Cluster Springs.

Mrs. Barksdale was the daughter of Langdon C. and Bettie Caffee Moseley, of Buckingham County, Va., and sister to Mrs. James H. Robertson, of Buckingham, and of Mrs. George Hendelrite, of Brazil. She was a woman of peculiarly gentle and lovable disposition, and most attractive personality.

Her death is a sad one, because she leaves a devoted husband and two little children, from whom a fond wife and tender, watchful mother thus taken can but be an irreparable loss. But her God will be their God, and her Father their Father and constant helper. The writer commends them to this unfailing source of comfort and strength.

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